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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**Inventor: **Rex J. CROOKSHANKS**

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INTERNET-BASED METHOD AND  
COMPUTER PROGRAMS THEREFOR**

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**RESPONSE TO SECOND OFFICE ACTION  
PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL  
REQUEST FOR TELEPHONE INTERVIEW  
REQUEST FOR 1-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**Introduction:**

Applicant herewith files this Response to the outstanding second, non-final Office Action, currently due on August 7, 2004, pursuant to an Extension of Time of 1 month, request-ed herewith. The fee for the 1-month extension, \$55 (applicant is a small entity), is hereby authorized to be charged to the Deposit Account 04-1699 of undersigned counsel of record for Applicant. In the event this amount is in error, please charge the correct amount to that Deposit Account 04-1699. Please reference the Attorney Docket # 24623-001US in connection with any transaction in order to facilitate our record keeping.

**Petition to Make Case Special – Applicant's Age**

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Applicants request that this case be made special on the ground that Applicant is 78 years of age. His signed statement is attached in support of this Petition.

There being good cause shown, it is requested that this case be made Special and accorded that status throughout the remaining prosecution.

**Request for Telephone Interview**

Applicant respectfully requests the courtesy of a telephone interview between Applicant's undersigned counsel and the Examiner upon the Examiner reaching this case and doing a preliminary review of this Response. The Examiner is requested to contact counsel at 360 - 681 - 7305 to arrange a time convenient to discuss the issues presented by this Response or resolve any remaining open issues.

**End of Section 1, Introduction.**